

EARLY EDUCATION MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM

Proposed Recommendations

Early Learning Advisory Committee

October 31, 2013



OVERVIEW

1. Statute

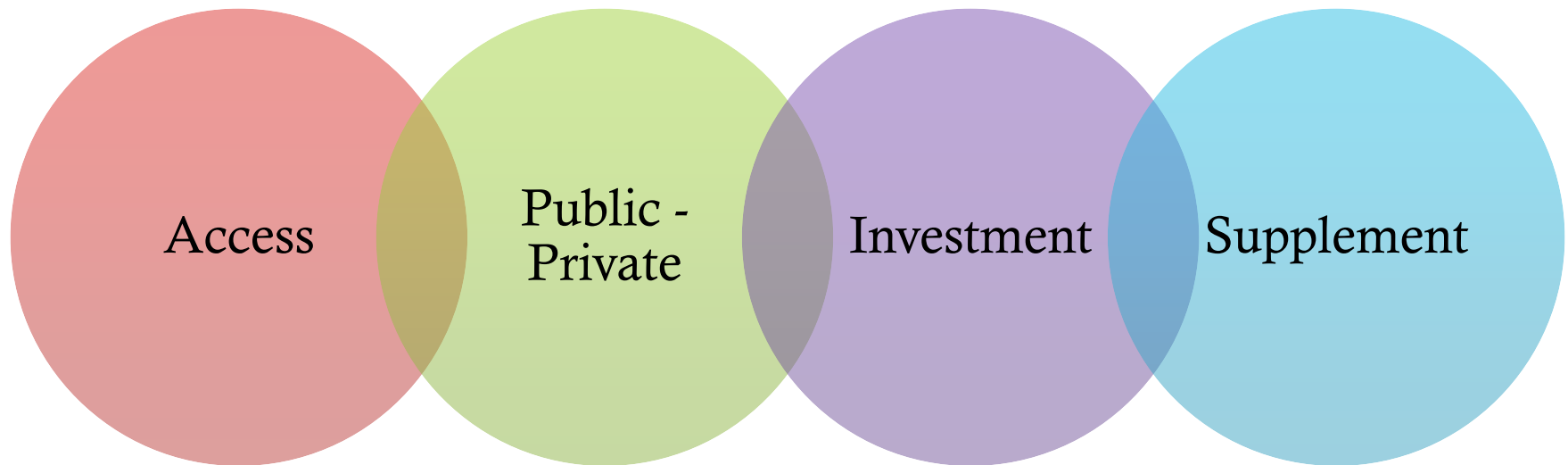
2. Need

3. Application

4. Timeline



GUIDING PRINCIPLES



1. STATUTE

What does the statute (IC 12-17.2-3.7) tell us about the Early Education Matching Grant Program?



AVAILABLE FUNDING

- \$2 million pilot program
- Available for two years
- Funds do not revert



ADMINISTRATION

➤ Division of Family Resources within FSSA:

- Develop application process
- Administer the grant
- Monitor compliance of grantee
- Monitor educational outcomes



ELIGIBLE CHILDREN

- Four years old
- Low-income
- Resident



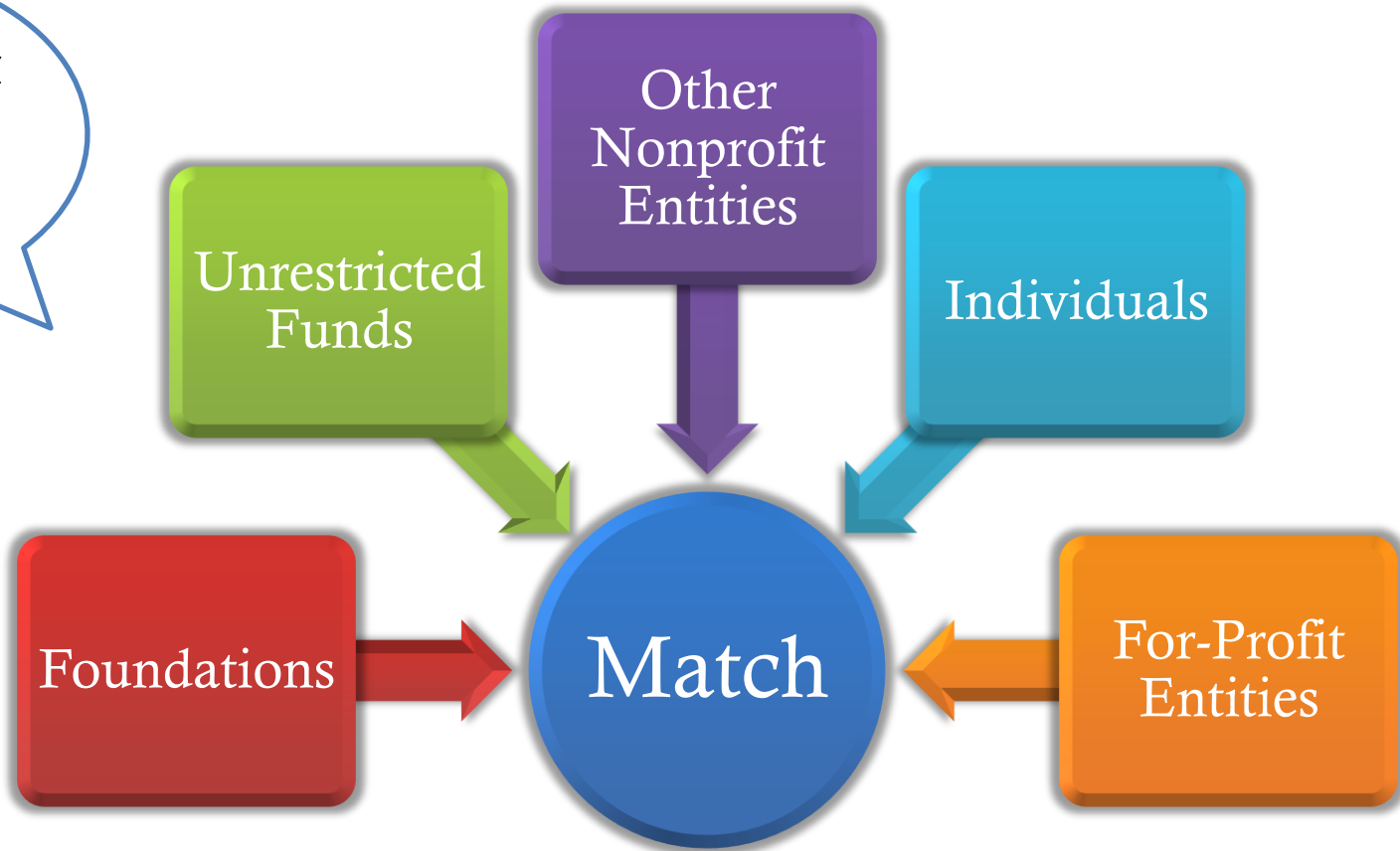
ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Entity (not an individual)
- Paths to Quality Level 3 or 4 provider
- 180 days / year
- Use ISTAR – KR assessment



MATCH FUNDING

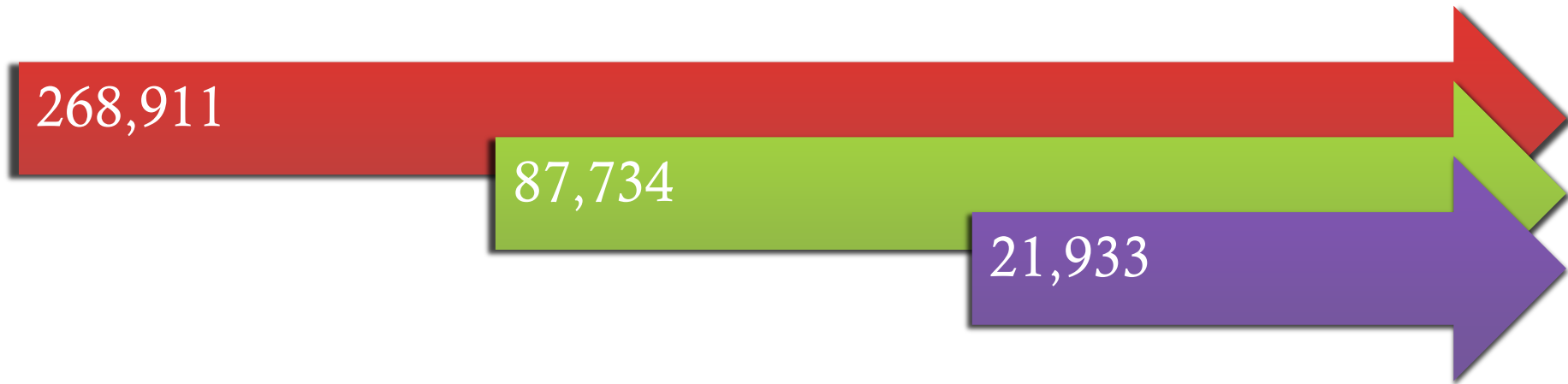
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2. NEED

What and where is the need for this program?






INDIANA'S YOUNG CHILDREN



YOUNG CHILDREN BELOW POVERTY

Legend:

Data Classes

	133 - 1362
	1481 - 3329
	3583 - 7675
	10612 - 15208
	32978 - 52198

Boundaries

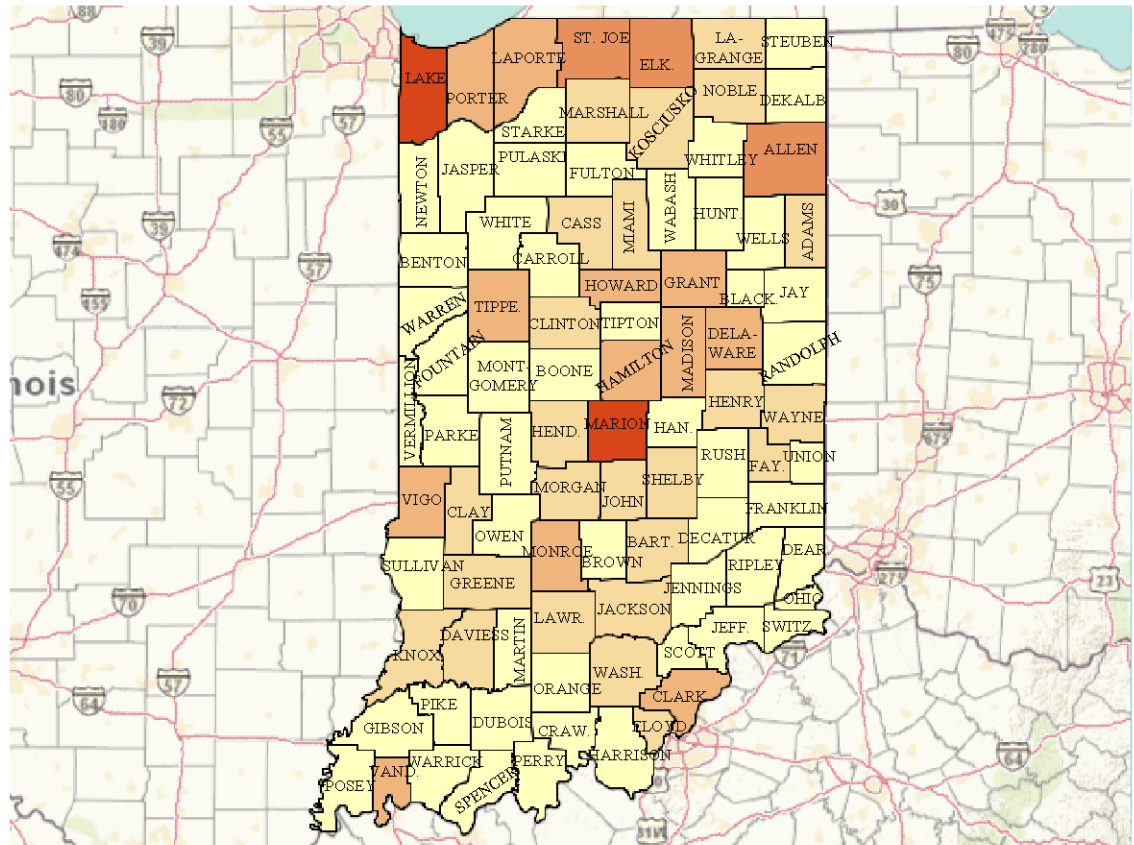
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Features

Major Road
Street
Stream/Waterbody

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Number of Hoosier Children Ages 0-5 Below Poverty - 2012 Census Bureau Estimate



OTHER PROGRAMS

1. CCDF Vouchers

➤ 40,304 children

➤ 4,220 waiting

2. Head Start

➤ 13,595 enrolled

➤ 9,422 four year olds

➤ 257 Head Start Sites

➤ 58 PTQ Level 3; 37 PTQ Level 4

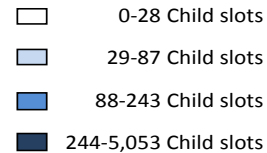
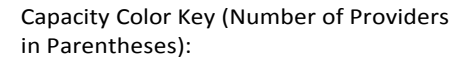


PATHS TO QUALITY LEVEL 3 AND 4

Paths to Quality	Providers	Capacity
Level 3	505	24,137
Level 4	266	20,879
Total	771	45,016

**Centers have
9% or 1,600
availability.**

Paths to QUALITY™ Level 3 Child Care Providers by Capacity and Number of Providers



Source: Indiana FSSA, Bureau of Child Care, 2013



Proposed Recommendation Program



3. APPLICATION

What is the process to award grant funds?

EEMG WORKGROUP

- Multi-disciplinary group of early education professionals
- No direct conflict of interest
- Met three times



PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION

- Release a Request for Funds (RFF) that includes the following:
1. Mandatory Requirements – Pass / Fail
 2. Need - 20 points
 3. Program Design - 40 points
 4. Organizational Capacity – 30 points
 5. Budget – 10 points
 6. Competitive Preference Priorities – extra 5 points



MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS



Meet the Statute Requirements

Program Schedule

Commitment to Monitoring



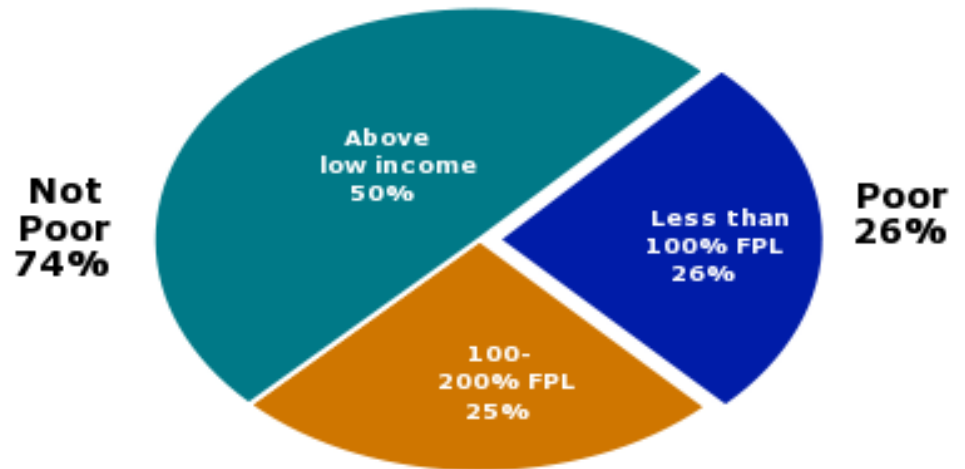
NEED SECTION

1. Weighted Score

➤ Need

➤ Availability

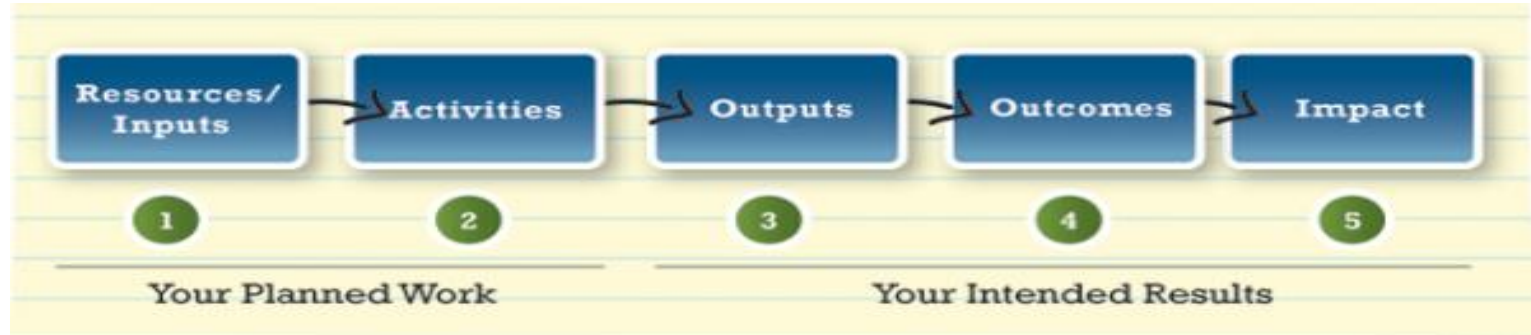
**Young Children in Indiana,
by Income Level, 2011**



© National Center for Children in Poverty (nccp.org)
Indiana Demographic Profiles

2. Narrative explanation

PROGRAM DESIGN



1. Logic Model template
2. Outcomes (school readiness)
3. Curriculum
4. Screening and Assessment
5. Targeted Population and Recruitment

ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

1. Organizational History
2. Organizational Structure
3. Professional Development Plan
4. Project Plan
5. Financial Stability and Controls
6. Sustainability Plan



BUDGET

1. Budget table
2. Narrative justification
3. Match commitment letters



COMPETITIVE PREFERENCE

- History of school readiness outcomes.
- Experience using assessments
- Relationship with the local school corporation(s)
- Experience with low-income family engagement
- Combined community match



FUNDING FORMULA

1. Propose \$6,700 scholarship for each child to be served
2. 1:1 Match is required
 - \$3,350 grant and \$3,350 match
3. Cash match is required
 - No in-kind will be considered in the match
4. Approximately 500 children annually served.



4. TIMELINE

What is the proposed process and timeline to award the grant funds.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Actions	Time Needed	Estimated Timeline
Stakeholder Feedback	30 Days	Nov. 30, 2013
ELAC Approval of RFF	1 Day	Dec. 4, 2013
Finalize the RFF	2 Weeks	Dec. 18, 2013
Release RFF	1 Day	Dec. 20, 2013
Provide Info Sessions / Response Time	60 Days	Feb. 21, 2014
Score the Applications	3 Weeks	March 14, 2014
Select Grantees / ELAC Approval	2 Weeks	March 31, 2014
Announce Awards	1 Day	April 1, 2014
Execute Grant Agreements	60 – 90 Days	June – July 2014



QUESTIONS



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